

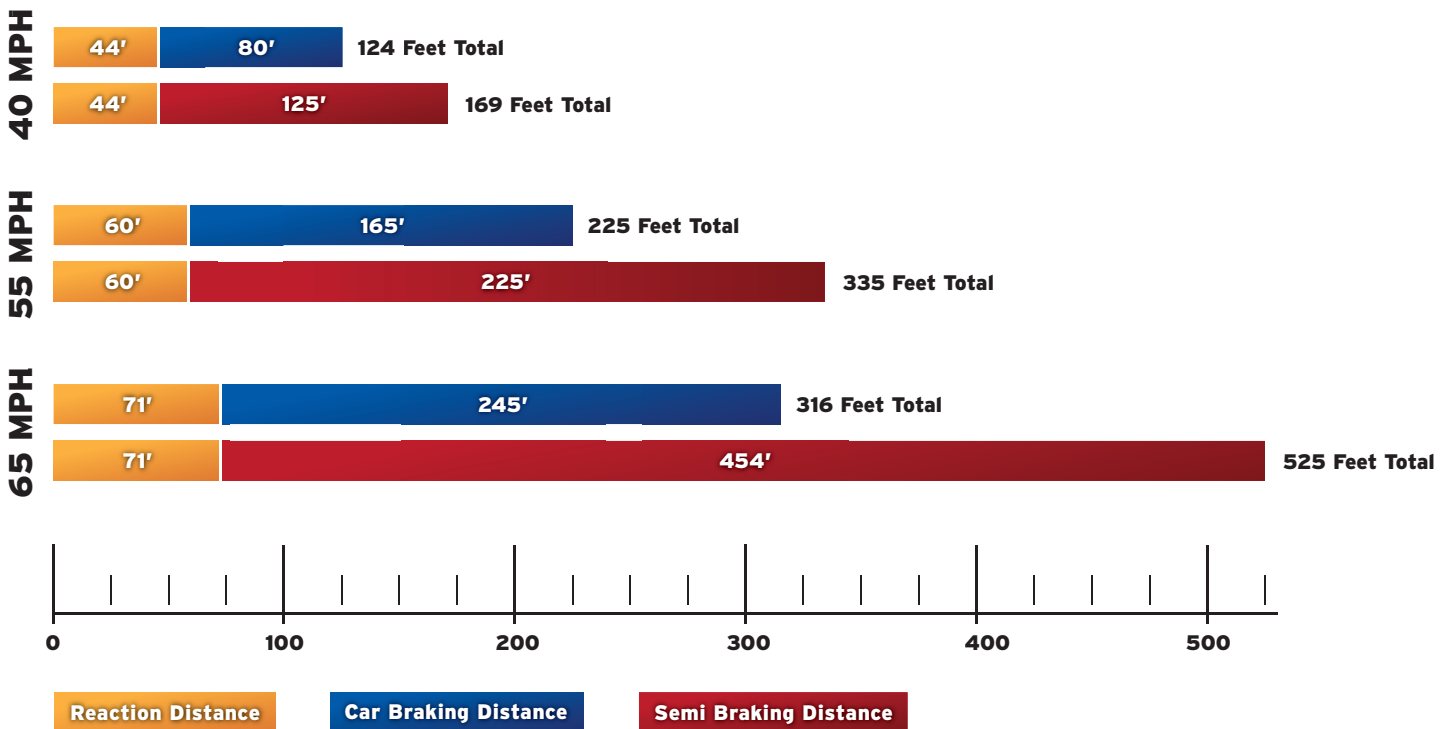


STOPPING DISTANCES FOR SEMIS

Cut Off a Truck, Cut Off Your Life

Although large trucks and buses have larger brakes than cars and passenger trucks, they take a longer time to stop because of their extreme weight. A loaded semi truck can weigh 80,000 pounds, while an average car—for example a Nissan Altima—weighs 2,945 pounds. In comparison, a Ford cargo van weighs 5,271 pounds, and a Dodge Ram 1500 weighs 5,818 pounds.

Total Stopping Distances



Braking distance can be greatly affected by road surfaces, weather conditions such as rain, ice, and snow or debris. Give yourself even more room when driving in front of big-rigs.